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**The Chinese policemen's participation in the deadly raids against residents of Bel-Air is reportedly part of the struggle of continental China to oust Taiwan's influence in Haiti**

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**Port-au-Prince, June 7, 2005 (AHP)-** The participation of Chinese policemen in the deadly raids against residents of Bel-Air is reportedly part of a fight by Continental China to oust Taiwan's influence in Haiti, a diplomatic source in Port-au-Prince pointed out to AHP Tuesday.

25 persons were killed and over a dozen houses set on fire during those operations. Bel-Air residents accuse the Chinese of opening fire together with national police contingents on members of the civil population in order to push them to leave their district in the perspective of the elections announced for this year. The Chinese reportedly also used blunt instruments and participated in the fire of their houses, they declared.

The same diplomatic source also declared that the Chinese allegedly accepted to do this job because of the fact that Latin-Americans, who are the main group in the UN mission, would be more inclined to go with the recent declarations made by military commandant, Brazilian General Augusto Heleno Ribeiro. He had declared Friday that he would never order a massacre in populist districts because there was no prescription for this type of crime.

According to the same source, the Chinese policemen who were in action Saturday are allegedly cast in the same mould as those who participated to the Pekin deadly repression against students at Tien A Men Square.

Minister of Justice Bernard Gousse had declared Friday that foreign swats were now in the country to reinforce the national Swat Team. He had refused to say where those elements were from, or what legal framework defined their presence in the country.

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**The CARLI writes a report on crimes and reprehensible acts committed in May**

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**Port-au-Prince, June 7, 2005 (AHP)-** The Committee of Lawyers for the Respect of Individual Freedoms (CARLI) published Tuesday its report on the political situation and security conditions in

Haiti characterized by murders, fires and kidnappings, on the eve of the elections announced for the end of this year.

The CARLI made a list of unhappy events that marked the month of May 2005. The organization notably mentioned the judgement of the Court of Cassation on May 3rd, breaking without appeal the sentence given on November 10, 2000 by the Criminal Court of Gonaïves with jury against individuals accused in the Raboteau massacre, including Castera Cenafils, Caretane Nady, Fénelon P. Gasner, Amazan Jean Libert, Mondélus, Jacques Ebel, Charles Théomats, Jean Pierre and Joseph Pierre.

Kidnappings and kidnapping attempts, murders of civilians and policemen, the criminal fire of the public market Tête Boeuf and of the police station Portail Saint Joseph where over 10 persons were killed and merchandises evaluated to several thousands dollars were destroyed.

The CARLI also mentioned in its report the massive repatriation of several hundreds Haitians living in the Dominican Republic, a flagrant violation of human rights and of the bilateral agreements signed by both governments in 1999.

The international community is very worried about the situation, the CARLI declared, naming several sectors and personalities, including OAS General Secretary José Miguel Insulza, Prime Minister of Quebec Jean Charest, members of the parliamentarian assembly of French Speaking countries, and diplomats in Haiti who expressed their strong preoccupation about the situation in Haiti.

The CARLI says that lasting solutions must become the priority for the restoration of the State's authority and the end of generalized anarchy. "The use of blind violence on vulnerable social classes must be prohibited, the human rights organization declared.

Over twenty persons were killed Saturday in the populist district of Bel-Air during a raid by the national police and the Chinese contingent of the CIVPOL.

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**A prisoner who was recently released from the Central Prison of Port-au-Prince makes revelations on the deadly events of December 1st, 2004 at the National Penitentiary**

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**Port-au-Prince, June 7, 2005 (AHP)-** A prisoner who was recently released from the National Penitentiary for absence of charges, Abner François, declared Tuesday that close to a hundred prisoners were killed during the December 1st, 2004 events in the largest prison of the country.

Political activist Abner François, who was arrested on October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2004 as he was protesting against Lavalas parliamentarians' arrest, made those declarations during the show « Ann Pale », on Radio Solidarité.

It was a horrible scene, Mr. François said. He declared that he saw masked policemen shoot point-blank on helpless people. Abner François denied the declarations of the police and the former NCHR that is now the National Network of Defense of human Rights (RNDDH), according to which only 7 prisoners were reportedly shot by masked policemen called by prison officials to repress prisoners who were demonstrating against their bad imprisonment conditions.

He also denounced the incarceration of the ambulance driver of the General Hospital's morgue who gave the right information to the MINUSTAH, according to him.

Neither the investigation by the MINUSTHA or the one the police claims it had led have been published